AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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REMARKS

Claims 2, 3, 19, 20, 23-25, 27 and 30-32 are all the claims pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 10, 13, 15, 17, 18, 22, 26, 28 and 29 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 2, 3, 19, 20, 23-25, 27 and 30-32 are allowed.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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